

I love listening to satellite radio, I still tune into some of my favorite local FM stations from time to time to see whats going on. We as XM radio listeners have to pay the fee of 9.99 a month to benefit from this service. The subscribers of XM have to pay for this service, so it doesn't make any sense to me as to why the National Association of Broadcasters should be able to make decisions like this.

The only reason that I can see for trying to take away the national traffic and weather stations is because the local am and fm stations are scared they will start to lose listeners. Yes, this is going to happen to a certain extent, but there is still only a small percentage of the total US population that are willing to pay for the equipment and the monthly service charges just to listen to radio. I don't see how offering local weather and traffic is hurting anybody. I can only imagine how much it helps people in such professions as truck driving. It can also be very helpful to people or families who are going on a road trip. This enhances the safety of their trip, instead of having to constantly tune into different stations to find one of them that is broadcasting the weather and traffic of an unfamiliar area which can be very time consuming especially when you are trying to drive they can tune directly into the city of their choice and find out the information they are looking for on demand.

So please take a stand against the NAB we are paying subscribers to the best thing that has ever happened to radio and what is this country coming to if we let the NAB take control of this issue just because they are afraid of a little competition.